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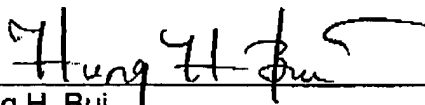
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Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the attached "**Amendment**" (11 pgs), in the above-identified application.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION:

I hereby certify that the attached "**Amendment**" (11 pgs) prepared in response to the Office Action dated on October 6, 2003, is being formally filed in the USPTO via Group 1743; Examiner Samuel P. Siefke; Facsimile No. 703-872-9306 on **January 6, 2004**.


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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action (Paper No. 26) dated on October 6, 2003,
please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.